

The Bulletin



CONGREGATION
B'NAI ISRAEL

Congregation B'nai Israel, Elizabeth, NJ - Affiliated 1992

March 2015



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FEATURING OUR ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE

FRIDAY EVENING

6:00 p.m. - MUSICAL SHABBAT SERVICE FOR PRESCHOOLERS AND YOUNG FAMILIES

6:30 p.m. - CONGREGATIONAL SHABBAT DINNER *(for all ages)*

Please see separate flyer to sign up!

7:45 p.m. - KABBALAT SHABBAT/MA'ARIV SERVICE *(note special time)*
followed by a MUSICAL ONEG *(for adults and older elementary age)*

SATURDAY MORNING

9:00 a.m. - SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES featuring learning and singing *(for adults and older elementary age)*

Kiddush lunch and more music will follow. *(For all)*

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

6:00 p.m. - Special event exclusively for teens, incl. dinner and dessert.

SATURDAY EVENING

9:00 p.m. - MALAVE MALKA...a post-Shabbat celebration with wine, cheese, and dessert. All are welcome to bring musical instruments and songs to participate in a jam session or just come and listen.

Please RSVP to ptouger@gmail.com.

SUNDAY MORNING

Special musical program for BBRs students.

Friday, March 20
Saturday, March 21
Sunday, March 22



Artist-in-Residence Weekend



FEATURING JOSH WARSHAWSKY

A musician, Jewish educator, and song leader, Josh Warshawsky is currently Musician-in-Residence at Temple Beth Am in Los Angeles. He has been described as a "breakthrough young talent" known for his "soulful singing" and enthusiasm.

Warshawsky is an alumni of Camp Ramah in Wisconsin as well as a graduate of List College, the joint program between Columbia University and the Jewish Theological Seminary with BAs in Religion, and Talmud and Rabbinics. Last year he completed his first CD of original melodies for the liturgy, which can be found on iTunes.

The musical weekend with Josh as Artist-in-Residence at CBI promises to be an entertaining and inspiring experience for all members of the congregation.

For more information about Josh, go to <http://joshwarshawsky.wix.com/music>

For information about the event or to volunteer,
please contact Paula Touger at ptouger@gmail.com.

Shabbat Services

Kabbalat Shabbat	8:15 pm
Shabbat Morning	9:00 am
Tefilot Yeladim (Grades 3-6)	10:15 am
Tefilot Ketanim (K-2)	10:30 am
Tot Shabbat (Preschool)	10:30 am
Shabbat Journeys Minyan (3/14)	10:45 am
Yaldeinu (3/7)	10:30 am

Candle Lighting

March 6	5:35 pm
March 13	6:43 pm
March 20	6:51 pm
March 27	6:58 pm

Mincha/Havdallah

March 7	5:50 pm/6:50 pm
March 14	6:58 pm/7:58 pm
March 21	7:06 pm/8:06 pm
February 28	7:13 pm/8:13 pm

Minyan Rotation

Mar 1 - Mar 7	Wisnudal - Zucker
Mar 8 - Mar 14	Abraham - Basarab
Mar 15 - Mar 21	Benbasset - Blum
Mar 22 - Mar 28	Bolton - Caplan
Mar 29 - Apr 4	Casel - Cohen

This is a reminder that you are scheduled on the Minyan Rotation List for this month. ***We urge you to make every effort to attend minyan, the times are listed below.***

Morning Minyan	Evening Minyan
7:10 am Mon. & Thurs.	8:00 pm Sun.-Thur.
7:15 am Tues., Wed. & Fri.	
8:30 am Sun.	

Let's Kvell Together!

Send us your simchas!
New baby, engagement, marriage,
anniversary, milestone birthday...
Special honor or recognition
in the community...
You get the idea!

Share your joy with your CBI
family... let's kvell together!
Send your information to:
Ana Amorim at anaa@cbi-nj.org.

FROM THE RABBI'S DEN

By Rabbi Steven Bayar

What can one say about Purim? Superficially it seems to be a holiday of little depth; Haman (bad guy) tries to kill Mordechai (good guy) by tricking Achashverosh (simple king) into believe lies about Mordechai's people (us). Esther (beautiful heroine) turns the tables on Haman and everyone lives happily ever after (except Haman and his family).



So, to honor the story we dress up, drink (but not to excess) and have carnival fun during the reading of the Megillah and the games before and after. All in all we see a holiday meant for children and more to the point – a narrative on a child's level.

There is however a serious side to Purim – and one that speaks to us even to this day. One of the issues that almost kept the story of Esther out of the Bible was that the name of God is not mentioned in the Purim story. It is almost as though God does not factor into the narrative. I believe that this omission was not accidental. If history serves, the Jews of Persia felt relatively secure. They were part of the fabric of the culture and comfortable in their secular society. How else could the heroes of our story Mordechai and Esther carry Hebraic versions of Marduk and Ishtar – the high gods of the Persian pantheon?

Another issue of the story is that the focus of the story is away from the land of Israel. Indeed, Esther is the only book of the Bible which contains a narrative that almost completely ignores Israel. We are told at the very beginning of the story that the Jews are “exiled” as though that comprised their total reality.

Is it accidental that both God and the Land are absent? Or is it perhaps a subtle message that when we leave these two behind – when they are not part of our consciousness our community (and we) are vulnerable and weak? A strong faith coupled with strong ties to our Homeland are vital supports to our foundation.

Purim can be a time of self-examination – it begins the Passover season. Let us evaluate our support of Israel and our faith – they both need us- especially now.

Steven Bayar

Publicity Guidelines

If you would like a copy of CBI's new Publicity Guidelines, please contact Ana Amorim, Membership and Communications Coordinator at anaa@cbi-nj.org.



MUSICAL NOTES

By Cantor Lorna Wallach

Much of Jewish liturgy and ritual is repetitive – we say the same prayers each day, day after day; we have set rituals for Shabbat and holidays which don't change from week to week or year to year; the Passover Seder has a prescribed order of steps to follow, which remains the same for two consecutive nights every Passover; when we end the cycle of reading the Torah we immediately start the same cycle again. As we recite the liturgy and perform the rituals, it is important to keep in mind the purpose of prayer and rituals. In Judaism, rituals and religious observances are grounded in Jewish law (Halakhah) combined with rabbinic laws and traditions. Our rituals, liturgy, holy objects and sacred texts assist us in infusing our lives with greater holiness, elevating the mundane to something sacred, which, we hope, gives us a greater sense of Jewish identity, deepens our connection to God and to the community, and helps to shape our perspective on the world and on life.

It is often a challenge, even for those who are knowledgeable and who have deep faith, to turn that which is routine into something meaningful. So, how do we uphold tradition and rituals while ensuring that engaging in these ancient practices will continue to be relevant and provide personal and communal meaning? There are many different approaches one could take to addressing this challenge. Historically speaking, Jews have borrowed rituals and ritual objects from other cultures, but each has been reshaped by Jewish values and Jewish experience and given new meaning in the context of Jewish living. Judaism has evolved, and if you look at the ritual practices of Jews around the world, it varies widely from place to place and at different times in history.

Recognizing that exploration, innovation and reinterpretation of rituals and liturgy are essential to contributing to Kavannah (intention) and spirituality, we are offering two programs this month to help rekindle your spiritual journey! Everyone is invited to participate in the **CBI Sisterhood Women's seder on Sunday evening, March 15**, which I will co-lead with Rabbi Helaine Ettinger, and which will feature the **CBI volunteer band**.

On **March 20 – 22**, CBI welcomes a talented musician/Jewish educator, **Josh Warshawsky**, as our **Artist-in-Residence**, helping us celebrate CBI's 90th year. As an inspiring and enthusiastic song leader and composer of new melodies for the liturgy, Josh has something to offer everyone – from our nursery school students, to our youth groups, to our seniors. Josh will be leading us on Friday night and Shabbat morning, not only in prayer and song, but also engaging us in dialogue about the significance and history of the liturgy, adding his own fresh nuance and lively new tunes! We hope you will plan to join us both on Friday evening and Saturday for what promises to be an uplifting and joyous Shabbat experience!



Lorna Wallach



To contact Cantor Wallach,
email her at cbicantor@cbi-nj.org

In The Community

Mazel Tov to:

Jackie Fried for being honored as Millburn - Short Hills Hadassah Woman of the Year!

Jed Buck on being awarded National Service Award by American Camp Association.

Adina Rothman, daughter of Janet Rothman and Craig Rothman, and granddaughter of Shirley Weiner and Secky Rothman, on her promotion to Operations and Enrollment Manager of Camp Ramah in the Berkshires.

Refuah Shleima to:

Irving Alper, Gary Baron, Deena Bernhaut, Judah Engel, Mort Gershman, Marion Mohl, Gloria Segel, Sharon Sloan and Shirley Weiner.

Condolences to:

Janet Becker Halpren on the passing of her beloved mother, Ruth Becker.

Ellen Shulman on the passing of her beloved father, Lunn Shulman.

Julia Hammer-Rubinstein on the passing of her beloved father, Robert Hammer.

Our Facilities Manager, Rafael Saleta on the loss of his beloved grandmother.

Debra Gelband on the passing of her beloved father, Michael Levine.

Linda Sotnick on the passing of her beloved father, Eli Katz.

Rhonda Cohen-Moass on the passing of her beloved father, Sidney Cohen.

Jacqueline Gershman on the passing of her beloved sister, Illanea Fishman.

President's Message

By Andrea Hirschfeld, CBI President

For the first time in 28 years as a resident of New Jersey, I'm no longer a landowner. Now that we've moved, people constantly ask me "how do you like Summit?" and I find myself answering in a way I never thought I would, even just a few years ago..



I find myself saying "it's a place to live. I'm not meeting my neighbors, really. My community is here at B'nai Israel." Had I not been in a leadership role in our synagogue, would I still feel that strong a bond? As with any community we participate in, our bonds are only as strong as we make them – as we invest back into the community. I have had the honor to work with our Emerging Leaders cohort this year and watch as the group learns more about each other, becomes more comfortable sharing details about themselves and, this last month, about their hopes for our community and its future. Now my hope is that they will begin to lead us all forward. And my hope for all our members at CBI is that they make CBI part of their busy lives in whatever way we fit. There are so few places in the world where we can be welcomed, supported and engaged in daily life. Synagogue can be that place if you help us make those bonds with you.

Minyan is one place where we develop those close ties during morning davening and when saying kaddish for loved ones. And, our daily minyans are often the place we welcome the stranger on a daily basis. I, like so many of us, started attending the daily minyan only when I needed to say kaddish for my parents. At that time, I recall being completely intimidated at any minyan. I had started shiva for my father in Chicago where the

only place to attend was a local orthodox shul. I sat on the women's side and waited until it was time to say kaddish. After kaddish, I left as quietly as I arrived. No one noticed me. Upon returning to CBI, I was still intimidated having never attended the morning minyan here. But once in the room, I could not have been more welcomed as people in the room acknowledged the loss of my father. As the days went on during that year, I stayed for the breakfasts, honored yartzheits with others and was part of the minyan for those who came to say kaddish during the year. My relationships with so many were developed during that year. And minyan continues to be a place I can go to be among friends. As in past winters, our daily minyans struggle as the regular members travel to warmer climates. Please help us uphold our tradition and attend morning or evening. Your attendance is so welcomed – and I cannot encourage you more from my experience to be part of the community when you can.

As I look back on those 28 years, I feel that my life as part of this community could not be richer. It didn't happen overnight – but I was always welcomed and encouraged to be comfortable in committees, the sanctuary, the minyan, and on the Board of Trustees. Please call or email me if I can help you have that same experience.

Andrea Hirschfeld



To contact Andrea Hirschfeld,
email her at cbiandrea@gmail.com
or by phone at 973-738-4636



CBI Chanting Circle

Come to the Chapel **Sunday, March 8th, at 5PM**
for our inspirational Hebrew chant and song circle
with musical accompaniment.

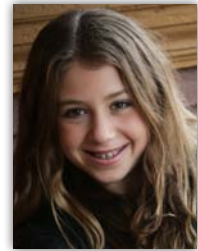
In preparation for Passover when it is read in the synagogue,
we will be exploring our own tradition's unique love poetry -
the Song of Songs - through the vehicle of song and chant.

Be prepared to sing your heart open, soothe your mind, and let your spirit soar!
No prior knowledge of Hebrew necessary ...
only a willingness to join in spiritual community.

B'NAI MITZVAH

Lindsey Scheiner March 7 (PM)

Lindsey has been a member of the CBI family since she was born. From the two's class all the way through seventh grade, Lindsey has learned many lessons from all of her wonderful teachers. As a Millburn Middle School seventh grader, Lindsey enjoys time with her friends and competing all over New Jersey as part of a gymnastics team. Lindsey has a special interest in children with learning disabilities, and for her Mitzvah project she is working on bringing a national peer mentoring program to our community. Lindsey is excited to share her Bat Mitzvah with her family and friends, and is grateful to Rabbi Bayer and Cantor Wallach for all of their help and support.



Bonnie Segel March 14 (AM)

Bonnie is in 7th grade at Millburn Middle School, and has been part of the CBI family since the two's program at (what was then) HGNS. Bonnie enjoys playing field hockey and volleyball, has earned her Jr. Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do and hopes to become a full Black Belt this year. Bonnie is an ardent lover of dogs, and enjoys spending time with Ace and Sugar, her two pit bull rescues. Bonnie's Bat Mitzvah project supports Companions for Heroes, which saves and trains abandoned dogs (including many pit bulls) and pairs them with returning veterans suffering from PTSD.

Sharing in this simcha are Bonnie's parents Sari Greenberg and Scott Segel, sister Jackie, and grandfather Gene Greenberg and grandmother Sheila Segel. Bonnie wishes to thank Rabbi Bayer, Cantor Wallach and Paula Touger for their guidance and assistance in reaching this milestone.



PLAY BALL!

The Men's Club of Congregation B'nai Israel for many years has participated in a local softball league, competing against other Men's Clubs in the area.

Now is your chance to join in the fun!

We are looking for new teammates to power our lineup and anchor our defense!

Games are casual...

with just enough competitiveness to make it fun and worthwhile!

Games are Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m.

from April 12 through mid-July (plus playoffs).

Meet at 9:30 to warm up and take batting practice.

It is not necessary to come to every game...but the more the better!

Please contact Craig Rothman at Craig.Rothman@cardinalhealth.com to let us know you can join the team!

HEDWIG GRUENEWALD EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

By Rochelle Baron, Director

March is the official beginning of spring and we cannot wait. It's been fun to play inside and do lots of great activities but we are definitely ready for some glimpses of green grass and buds on trees!

We have some great events planned for this month. Our school Purim parties will be held on March 3 and 5 and we look forward to welcoming our families to the festivities.

School pictures happen on March 9. The PreK's will journey to Kean University on March 18 to see a special performance of Berenstain Bears Live! The Matzoh Bakery will be here March 24 teaching us about the makings of



matzoh and showing us a fun video about Passover.

We are enjoying our visits with Ligal and Hadar, our rishonim friends, who have been visiting our school and teaching us about Israel. Each time they come they teach us new things about this special place—we are learning so much and having so much fun at the same time!

Here's wishing you all a good month and hoping that spring really gets here soon!

Rochelle Baron



To contact Rochelle Baron,
email her at HGECC@cbi-nj.org

BBRS PARENTS ASSOCIATION UPDATE

We hope to see you at Shir Shabbat, FRIDAY, MARCH 6th, 6:45 p.m., April 17, and May 8th. Please let us know how we can enhance the service in a way that would make YOU want to come regularly.

Next BBRS PA meeting: March 22nd, 9 a.m. Location TBA

Agenda: Classroom Passover Seders, BBRS Dinner, Family social event (bowling? museum?)

Debbie Marcus and Sue Shapiro



Men's Club Pizza & Poker!

Sunday March 29, 2015-7:00 pm at CBI

Sponsored by Men's Club for Members and Prospective Members



PIZZA AND REGISTRATION @ 7PM . POKER STARTS AT 7:30PM DON'T BE LATE!

\$30.00 per person for buy-in and pizza...and beer
Gift cards for Top 3 Winners!

PLEASE RSVP by March 25th, 2015

to Dan Richter at cbimensclubmillburn@gmail.com or (732) 261-5138

Then send your check to the CBI Office.

Make check out to "Men's Club" with "Pizza & Poker" on the memo line.

Or just register online at <http://tinyurl.com/poker2015> and pay by cc. It's easy!!

CBI MEN'S CLUB ANNUAL

Joe Keselman & Juan Katz Memorial

PAID-UP BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, March 15, 2015

9:15-11:00 AM, after Minyan

ENJOY A DELICIOUS BREAKFAST

PREPARED BY OUR OWN MEN'S CLUB "TOP CHEFS"

Register online by March 11th <http://tinyurl.com/paidupbreakfast> It's easy!!
or below by mail

-----Detach before mailing-----

Please RSVP by March 11th

Free for paid-up CBI Men's Club members. Cost is \$5 for other guests including spouse or friends
You may purchase membership at the door or by sending check in amount shown below to CBI - Men's Club.

Name _____ Email _____

_____ Paid-Up Men's Club members (no charge)

_____ Join Men's Club (Membership - \$38/year, Women can join as Associates for \$20/year)

_____ Others @ \$5 per person

Total amount enclosed = \$ _____ (Checks should be made payable to: Men's Club, CBI)

Mail this form with payment to: **CBI - Men's Club, 160 Millburn Avenue, Millburn, NJ 07041**

THE KADIMANIKS ARE COMING!!! THE KADIMANIKS ARE COMING!!! THE KADIMANIKS ARE COMING!!!

Congregation B'nai Israel is delighted to be hosting the **Regional Kadima Eighth Grade Shabbaton** the weekend of March 13-15, 2015. As you may know, Kadima is the nationwide Conservative Jewish youth group for sixth to eighth graders, the stepping stone to USY. Approximately 60 teenagers from all over Northern and Central New Jersey will be gathering in Millburn for a weekend of prayer, study and fun.

The Youth Committee is looking for congregants to host at least three visiting Kadima members (Kadimaniks) from Friday afternoon through Sunday morning. **It is simple to host!** The Kadimaniks will bring sleeping bags and pillows and sleep on the floor. All meals will be served at the synagogue, with the exception of a cold, dairy breakfast on Saturday morning at the host home. The host family would need to bring the Kadimaniks back and forth to the synagogue over the course of the weekend. **That's it!**

You don't need to have kids in Kadima or any of the CBI youth groups to host. (In fact, you don't even have to have kids!) **It is a wonderful experience to host these energetic, polite, involved Jewish youth!**

The CBI youth groups are bigger, stronger and more active than ever! Hosting this regional Shabbaton -- and hosting the Shabbaton participants!!! -- is a great way to support youth programming at CBI!

If you have any questions about the Shabbaton, please see the FAQs below or contact Aly Greenstein, CBI Youth Group Advisor, at alygreenstein18@gmail.com with any additional questions.

Thank you for your support!

Aly Greenstein
CBI Kadima Advisor

YES! I would love to host Kadimaniks for the Shabbaton the weekend of March 13-15, 2015!

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ **E-MAIL:** _____

- ☐ I am interested in housing _____ # girls or _____ # boys for the Kadima Shabbaton
- ☐ I have a pet. Please specify _____
- ☐ I can help with setup during the weekend.
- ☐ I can help serve food during the weekend (check all that apply)
_____ Fri. dinner _____ Sat. lunch _____ Sat. dinner

Please return to the CBI office or email alygreenstein18@gmail.com.

Regional Kadima Eighth Grade Shabbaton Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Can I house Kadimaniks even if I don't have kids that age?

Absolutely. Even if you don't have any kids, we need you to host Kadimaniks for the weekend.

What if I don't have enough beds to house three Kadimaniks?

All you need is floor space. They will bring sleeping bags and pillows.

Is there a schedule for the weekend?

Here is the schedule for the weekend (subject to minor adjustments):

Friday, March 13th

3:30 p.m. – Pickup Kadimaniks at CBI and bring home with luggage

5:00 p.m. – Return to CBI

9:45 p.m. – Pickup from CBI

Saturday, March 14th

9:00 a.m. – Bring Kadimaniks to CBI

7:00 p.m. – Pickup from CBI

8:30 p.m. – Return to CBI for evening program

11:00 p.m. – Pickup from CBI

Sunday, March 15th

9:00 a.m. – Bring Kadimaniks to CBI with luggage

Can I be host if I don't keep a kosher home?

Yes. The only meal you will be responsible for is a cold, dairy breakfast on Saturday morning.

I would love to host but I can't be available as early as 3:30 p.m. on Friday afternoon. Can we make some kind of alternate arrangement?

Yes, even if you are not available early on Friday, it may be possible for you to be a host. Please contact Aly at alygreenstein18@gmail.com to discuss your circumstances.

I would love to host but I have plans on Saturday night. Can we make some kind of alternate arrangement?

Even if you have plans on Saturday night, it may be possible for you to be a host. Please contact Aly at alygreenstein18@gmail.com to discuss further.



Tallit Extravaganza

***Over 40 designs to choose from for
Women, Men, Girls and Boys!***

Featuring Israeli Designers

***Eretz
Gabrieli***

Also local designer *Precious Heirlooms*

***Sunday, March 22nd
10am – 1pm***



Questions???? Call Ilisa Perlman at (973) 379-9275

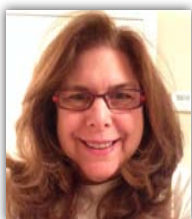
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Sisterhood's Message

By Karen Tucker, Sisterhood President

News flash: Passover is in 4 weeks!
Let the cleaning begin!

Oh my, here we go again. The annual clean and purge, recipe reinvention, the guest list, first night or second night? So much to do, well--



This year we will take a break from all the preparations to have our own Women's Seder. This only happens every other year and it is always a wonderful evening. The program will be on Sunday March 15th at 5:30 pm and will be led by our own Cantor Wallach with a special appearance by the CBI band and a delicious fully catered dinner. The cost this year is \$25. Please RSVP as soon as possible to Fran Rod rodfd366@gmail.com no later than Monday March 9th. You can drop a check off at, or mail it to, the CBI office attention Sisterhood. You can also let Fran know if you would like to help with the set-up or shopping.

What is a Women's Seder you might ask? It is a Passover Seder that represents the role of women in the story of our exodus from Egypt. Using a special Haggadah and of course music we recall our redemption from slavery to freedom. Bring your tambourine and we'll supply the ruach! Need a ride? We will try to hook you up.

Other happenings in Sisterhood:

The gift shop is fully stocked with lots of Pesach items (and non Pesach as well) for gifts as well as for ourselves. We also have a large selection of Tallit and loads of B'nai mitzvah gifts.

Mah Jongg: Wed. March 11th at 7:30 pm

As always, if there is anything you would like to discuss, ideas and suggestions or would like to get involved please feel free to contact me. I am available by phone (908-313-5677) or by email. Please remember to join us and to join in.

Karen Tucker



To contact Karen, email
KarenLTucker@comcast.net

Women's Seder



Sunday, March 15 at 5:30 pm

\$25 per person / full catered dinner

For all adult CBI members

Special musical accompaniment by the CBI Band

RSVP to Fran Rod, rodfd366@gmail.com

by Monday March 9th

Make checks payable to "CBI Sisterhood"

MEN'S CLUB MINUTE

By Dan Richter, Men's Club President

Do you ever lie awake wondering what would happen if North Korean Hackers gain access to your Personally Identifiable Jewish Information? Could fake credit cards be opened in your Hebrew name? Will you suddenly get calls from collection agencies asking for payments on mortgages on properties bought under the name Gedaliah ben Hesschel v' Sarah?

Could an unsavory crime family impersonate your family on the day of a bar mitzvah that you meticulously planned 3 years in advance and take over the entire Shabbat....simply by having access to your Hebrew name and by showing up an hour earlier at shul?

Imagine a letter in the mail from a Nigerian Prince claiming that he is now duly wedded to you, Yitzhak ben Mordechai, and that according to the terms of the Ketubah you, Yitzhak ben Mordechai, owe him all of your property, real and personal, even the shirt from you back, plus 200 silver pieces!

These are not the worries of a paid up Men's Club Member, whose Hebrew names have been given over to us for reading at the bimah.

You may be amazed to know, that none of our paid-up members have ever experienced any of the above Jewish identity frauds. So, if you would like to join this prestigious CBI organization of Men with secure Jewish identities, we welcome you to join up with us!

So come on out to the shul on Sunday morning March 15th at 9:15am (after minyan) for a breakfast served up by Men's Club chefs. The breakfast is free for all Men's Club Members. There is a \$5 charge for non-members, guests, and anyone whose Hebrew name is Ben ben Ben. You can even sign up with the Men's Club on the spot...and what an awesome experience that is! The Paid-Up breakfast will be feature Josh Cohen, the Director of the NJ Region of the Anti-Defamation League of New Jersey. Josh Cohen will speak about anti-Semitism around the world, and how the ADL responds.

To participate, sign up at <http://tinyurl.com/paidupbreakfast> or send in the paper form at the bottom of the flier in this bulletin!

Also coming up soon is our Poker & Pizza event for members and prospective members. This will be an evening of Texas Hold 'Em Poker and will be held Sunday March 29th at 7PM. You can enjoy a fun and social evening of cards with fine fellows of our congregation. Who knows... you could walk away the winner of the night with a gift

card prize!

Very soon, April will be upon us, and with that softball will start up once again. If you have not been part of the Men's Club softball experience, please drop a line to cbimensclubmillburn@gmail.com and you will be added to the list for information. We are expecting the first practice to be early to mid April. Feel free to also ask about the Men's Club delicious challahs which arrive week after week at your request and for \$5. The challahs are golden crispy on the outside, white and fluffy in the inside...a mechiah ! a matziah! A truly tasty treat!

And if you don't believe me, just ask any of these very secure Jewish men at our shul:

Aryeh Leyb ben Mordecai Zvi
Avner ben Aharon v' Shulamit
Avraham Eliezer ben Ezriel Zelig
Baruch Isser Ben Chaim Zvi
Chaim ben gidalya
Chaim ben Moshe veh Sima Etah
Dani-el Ben Mordechai
David ben eliezer
David Yitzak Ben Chaim
David yitzchak Ben Yosef Bear
Donny ben shlomo
Eliyahu ben Yisrael
Feivel bar Mordechai
Gedaliah Yisrael ben Yoshua Hershel v. Miriam Chaya
Gedaliah Betzalel Ben Zev Yakov
Hanoach ben Yitzhak vChayah-Sarah
Hersehl Pincus ben Yehudah
Jacob Mayer ben Duvid.
Laib Yaakov ben David
Meira Aviva bat Leah
Michiel ben Y'Hatzkel Chaim Halevi
Moshe Ben Beryl
Moshe Ben Chaim HaLevi
Moshe Peretz ben Yechezkel
Naftali Zvi ben Shraga Pheivish
Nahum Ben Tzvi V' Yonah
Rachmiel ben Gutman v'Penina
Sadya Tzvi ben David
Shier Ben Honan
Shimone Ruveen ben Daveed
Shlomo Fievel Ben naftali
Shmuel ben Nuchem
Tzvi Chaim Ben Israel v' Rivka
Yaacov ben Nissan

Yaakov Arie Ben Menachem
Yisrael Tsvi ben Rani
Yitzhak Ben Mordecai
Yosef David ben Chanayah
Ze'ev Wolff ben Shlomo Yosef

Very best regards!

Daniel ben Eliezer Richter

Men's Club President



To contact Dan Richter, email him at
cbimensclubmillburn@gmail.com or call him at
(732) 261-5138



Mi Sheberach

One of the least known liturgical functions of a congregation involves the "Mi Shebarach:" the prayer asking God to heal those who are ill. Congregation B'nai Israel has a "Mi Shebarach" list that is read at services on Monday, Thursday and Shabbat mornings.

We ask members of the congregation to inform us of those they would like placed on the list. If there is anyone you feel would benefit from these weekly prayers, please contact Rabbi Bayar by phone (973-379-3811) or email (cbrabbi@cbi-nj.org) with the name.

If you would like to have a tribute card sent to any of the families listed in memoriam or in honor of a life cycle event, you may make donations online at: www.cbi-nj.org or contact the synagogue office at 973-379-3811.

SPECIAL ADULT LEARNING PROGRAM WITH JTS RIGHT HERE AT CBI!

There is a very interesting educational offering that we are privileged to be able to offer our members and the general community this Spring. As in prior years, the Jewish Theological Seminary has offered to present a "mini-course" seminar at CBI. This Spring's four-part series, called "What is the Good Life?" will be taught by four different scholars from JTS and run on four consecutive Thursday nights, beginning on April 30 and ending on May 21.

In this mini-course, we will look at Jewish perspectives on how we live a "good life?" What is the meaning of happiness? We all reflect on these issues. It should come as no surprise that Jewish philosophers, poets, and sages have also thought about these deep issues and wrote extensively on their perspectives. This course will allow us to look at Jewish teaching and philosophy and understand how Judaism viewed some of the most important concepts that we face as human beings. In this course, there will be an exploration of a range of Jewish sources

and insights into what our tradition teaches regarding lives well lived as individuals and as members of Jewish and global communities. We will also discuss how Jewish philosophic conceptions of "the good life" have differed from those of other traditions and discuss the role of thought and reflection and of Torah in the quest for a well-lived life.

Please join us in April and May for what will prove to be an interesting intellectual and philosophical journey.

Cost: \$55.00 per person (CBI Members) // \$85.00 per person (community members)

The seminar will be presented on the following Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. -- April 30, May 7, May 14 and May 21.

Please contact Steve Friedman at stevefriedman15@gmail.com or 917-664-5958 for more information. To sign up for this mini-course, please contact Ana Amorim at CBI at anaa@cbi-nj.org.

ISRAEL AFFAIRS

By Joe Tenenbaum



CURRENT EVENTS

Last month I wrote about the most recent important issues relating to Jews and Israel, which focused on events in France. Since then, events in the United States have exploded in controversy. When Speaker of the House, John Boehner invited Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to speak before a joint session of Congress, the White House objected both to the process of inviting him, and to his appearance just two weeks before the Israeli elections.

The pressure on the Prime Minister not to speak before Congress, both from his political opponents in Israel, and from many Americans, has been intense both for the reasons stated above, and because the Prime Minister and many member of the US Congress disagree with the apparent direction of the administrations' negotiations with Iran. **Their position has become more lenient** about Iran's nuclear program than was originally intended.

While the invitation has been a source of much tension and criticism on both sides, I hope that the focus returns to the importance of the policy differences, and the need for additional sanctions if the original goals of the negotiations with Iran are to be accomplished.

The next deadline for these negotiations to reach a broad agreement is the end of March.

For more information on these and other news items, I recommend the following websites.

<http://www.timesofisrael.com>

An Israeli on-line newspaper

<http://www.dailyalert.org>

A daily news digest about Israel and the Middle East

www.jerusalemonline.com

A daily video of Israel news

World Zionist Congress Voting now through April 30, 2015

Jews worldwide have an opportunity to elect delegates to the World Zionist Congress, which meets every five years, and is meeting later this year. As Americans, we can participate in the election of the US delegation, which is currently 145 delegates, approximately one third of the representatives. According to the website of the American

Zionist Movement, <http://www.myselfourisrael.com>, "to be eligible to vote in the US Zionist election, you must declare that you subscribe to the Jerusalem Program and be 18 years of age or older, be a permanent resident of the United States, be Jewish, and have not voted in the March 2015 Knesset election.

The Jerusalem Program is described at <http://www.myselfourisrael.com/jerusalem-program>. It begins with the following summary paragraph:

Zionism, the national liberation movement of the Jewish people, brought about the establishment of the State of Israel, and views a Jewish, Zionist, democratic and secure State of Israel to be the expression of the common responsibility of the Jewish people for its continuity and future.

Please visit that website for more details on the Jerusalem program.

According to the website, the WJC expects to deal with these issues:

- Aliyah and Rescue
- Anti-Semitism
- Education and Identity
- Israel Diaspora Relations
- Israeli Civil Society
- Justice and Tolerance
- Next Generation
- Peace and Security

Each is described in more detail on the Jerusalem program website.

As part of the Conservative movement, we urge our community to support the Mercaz slate of delegates to the Congress, as this is the slate aligned with the goals of the Masorti movement within Israel. Having stronger representation in the Congress will help provide funding and political support for greater diversity in Jewish life in Israel. As the Mercaz website explains,

Your vote for MERCAZ allows for our Conservative/Masorti communities in Israel to live the lives we take for granted in the United States, where Conservative conversions are accepted without question, women can read Torah proudly and without fear, and egalitarian minyanim are celebrated. It also translates into critical support for fledgling Masorti communities throughout the world, particularly in regard to

providing opportunities for our youth.

The website with information about Mercaz is <http://votemercaz.org>

Voting in this election, requires a \$10 payment for those over 30, and a \$5 charge for ages 30 and below. The fees provide a voting membership for each person in the American Zionist movement.

To vote, you may register online, or by mail. Visit the following site to see all of the slates, and click at the bottom of the screen to register and vote. The deadline for voting is April 30, 2015.

AIPAC Policy Conference in 2015 March 1-3

By the time you read this, the 2015 AIPAC Policy Conference will be in progress, or completed. To see and read about what happened at the conference, you can visit the AIPAC Policy Conference website:

<http://www.policyconference.org>.

Other Upcoming Events

- **April 22 -23:** The Metrowest Community will have Yom Hazikaron and Yom Ha'atzmaut events, details to follow.
- **April 24:** CBI is planning another special Shabbat Dinner. This dinner will have an Israeli theme in honor of Israel's Independence Day. After dinner, there will be program featuring favorite Israeli songs. We hope you will join us for food, song, and services as we celebrate Israel together.

- **May 13:** The NORPAC mission to Washington will visit Capital Hill to promote stronger US Israel relations.

- **May 17:** CBI will be hosting JJ Goldberg, editor of The Forward to inform our community about current events affecting Israel

- **May 31:** Salute to Israel Parade in NYC. This year, CBI is planning something new to encourage participation. Watch for more information in future Bulletins, but reserve this Sunday date now.

Missing Soldiers

We must continue to pray for the remaining soldiers to return home:

Guy Hever Ron Arad Zachary Baumel Avi Feldman Yehuda Katz
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Please also pray for **Jonathan Pollard**, (Yehonaton ha Levi ben Malka) who has been imprisoned now for over 29 years and is in need of healing.

Joe Tenenbaum



To contact Joe Tenenbaum, email him at TenenbaumJ@AOL.com

March 2015 Yahrzeit Donors

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Questions? Please contact Jonathan Schor at cbimensclubmillburn@gmail.com or (516) 978-1705

IF you would like to use the order form please tear off form below and return with your check payable to "CBI Men's Club" to the synagogue office, Attn: Men's Club Challah, at 160 Millburn Ave. Millburn, NJ 07041

Name _____ Phone # _____ Email _____

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6:45 p.m.

Welcome Shabbat with this earlier, partially lay-led service,
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(*Shir Shabbat is Hebrew for Shabbat Song!*)

March 6th
April 17th
May 8th

Shir Shabbat will be a complete Friday night service...

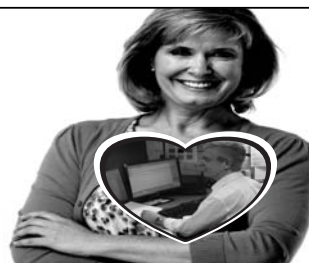
...with tunes synced with prayers learned in Blanche
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We hope that families -- youth and adults of all ages -- will
take an active part in helping lead.

Come to this service to experience it yourself...and help us
develop **Shir Shabbat** into what you want it to be!

For more information or if you have any questions, please contact:
Clergy Office at clergyoffice@cbi-nj.org
or Alex Marcus, Co-Chair, Religious Affairs Committee at amarcus@mac.com.

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Next Deadline

Please note, the deadline for the April 2015 bulletin is March 10. Information contained in the bulletin each month is time sensitive. We appreciate your cooperation in order to ensure that the Bulletin reaches everyone by the beginning of each month. Space permitting, we will do our best to include your item(s), and we reserve the right to edit your submission. Please submit all material to lisar@cbi-nj.org.

TORAH FUND ALERT!

We have become aware that many of our CBI members did not receive our original Torah Fund mailing which was mailed around Thanksgiving. It was our annual "Invitation" to our make-believe tea. We invited everyone to join Sisterhood's 2014-2015 Torah Fund Campaign to support the Jewish Theological Seminary, the heart of our Conservative movement.

Please be assured if you did not receive the mailing, it was not intentional and may have been a problem with the Post Office. There is still time to join the campaign and all are welcome.

Simply mail your donation, made out to Torah Fund, to Sandy Panzer, 975 Harding Road, Elizabeth, NJ 07208-1047. For more information about the Benefactor's Pin, please call Sandy at (908) 352-1999.

Lois Kleiner and Sandy Panzer
Torah Fund Vice Presidents

How Can I Contribute to Torah Fund?

Order Torah Fund Cards ~ \$4 per card or 6 for \$20

Call Sandy Panzer at 908-351-1999

Make checks payable to:

Torah Fund – JTS

Please leave order in Sisterhood mailbox located in the synagogue office. We will fill & deliver your order promptly.

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☐ Get Well

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Beautiful cards are available for \$18 or \$50 donations. Call the Torah Fund office at 212-678-8977 to order. Or visit them at www.jtsa.edu/torahfund.xml

Give a donation! Make donation payable to Torah Fund-JTS & send to Sandy Panzer, 975 Harding Road Elizabeth NJ 07208.

Become a Benefactor for \$180 donation and receive a pin. Larger donations receive a pin with a gem in the pin.

Lois Kleiner and Sandy Panzer
Torah Fund Vice Presidents

SALUTING OUR SUPER SENIORS: GLORIA SEGEL

By Sheldon Greenholtz



Kal and Gloria Segel

Gloria Segel was born to immigrant parents in Elizabeth, 1932, and grew up in a multi-generational home built by her grandfather, on South Park Street. That area, from around 1900 to the mid-fifties, was primarily a Jewish neighborhood, in Elizabethport. The Jewish families subsequently migrated to Upper Elizabeth, Union, Hillside, Cranford, West-

field and other areas, as new suburban neighborhoods grew. The orthodox synagogue of Gloria's youth was Holche Yosher Shul, established in 1886, 14 years after CBI Elizabeth, its conservative counterpart. It was eventually purchased by the City of Elizabeth and razed in the late 1940's to make way for the NJ Turnpike. Holche Yosher was the forerunner of the renowned Jewish Educational Center (JEC).

Gloria received her BS degree in nursing from Jersey City State Teacher's College, and became a registered nurse at Jersey City Medical Center. She also taught chemistry and pharmacology to nursing students. She subsequently received her master's degree in nursing from Columbia University and taught at Battin High School in Elizabeth.

Gloria met her husband, Kal, a University of Pittsburgh graduate, at a party, and married the year after. Four years later, Kal, from Johnstown, Pa., who worked for Exxon (then Esso), became vice-president in charge of building additions for the European Esso refineries. They moved to The Hague, in Holland, and lived there from 1960-1968. Gloria remembers that period as a happy time. Raising their young son, Philip, traveling throughout Europe, and finding remnants of Jewish life in the aftermath of World War II. She remembers seeing overgrown cemeteries, as well as many shops and stores on main streets, formerly occupied by Jewish merchants and families.

Gloria is the proud mother of Philip, married to Holly. They live in Basel, Switzerland, where Philip is an audiologist for Cochlear at their European headquarters. Holly is a speech pathologist. Gloria is also mother to George, wife Dina, residing in Newtown, Pa., and grandmother of 17 year old triplets, Kalli, Joseph and Rebecca. George is a dentist and Dina is a practicing attorney.

Gloria has been an active con-

gregant her entire life. At CBI Elizabeth, she was recording secretary, treasurer, presidium president and sisterhood president, and worked on/chaired many committees. In her communal life, Gloria is a life member of Hadassah, has chaired chai luncheons, fundraised, chaired fashion shows, managed publicity campaigns and was named Woman Of The Year. She is also a life member of National Council of Jewish Women (Union County) and has been recording secretary, presidium president and president. She's also a life member of Jewish War Veterans.

After the 1992 CBI merger of Elizabeth and Millburn, Gloria continued her involvement as sisterhood recording secretary, nominating committee chair, membership chair, plus a host of other activities, including the filling of Purim baskets, working on rummage sales, Shabbat oneg preparation, and more.

Gloria's husband, Kal, together with Jose Keselman and Juan Katz, Elizabeth, were instrumental in effecting the merger of our 2 congregations. Though all three are gone, their legacy is seen in the revitalization of our morning minyan (breakfast included) and Men's Club. Gloria's role even extended to helping restart Men's Club, as well as the transfer and repositioning of CBI Elizabeth's yearzeit plaques within our building.

Gloria continues to be a board member and participant in our Adult Forum. To Gloria, we say "Yasher Koach." May you continue to go from strength to strength, infusing our congregation with your sparkle, vitality, energy and personal stamp of Yiddishkeit.

Editor's Note: Each month we will profile a Super Senior who is part of our heritage and history.





Adult Forum "Lunch & Learn" programs on Thursday!!!

at Congregation B'nai Israel

160 Millburn Avenue, Millburn, NJ

Our programs are open to CBI members and the general community. By all means, bring friends!

Lunch begins at 12:30 p.m. and the program begins at 1:00 p.m.

MARCH PROGRAMS

March 12 At Congregation B'nai Israel. Screening *My Old Lady*, a comedy drama directed by Israel Horovitz starring Kevin Kline and Maggie Smith. The story revolves around a down-and-out New Yorker who inherits an apartment in Paris from his estranged father and is stunned to find a refined old lady living there with her over-protective daughter.

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\$10 for Adult Forum members & partners// \$12 for non-members

You may pay at the door, but you need to **contact Lois IN ADVANCE at 973-533-1809** with your lunch order. Our sandwiches and salads come from *Bubbe's (Livingston)*. SANDWICH CHOICE: egg salad, corned beef, roast beef, turkey, tuna or pastrami or SALAD CHOICES: Chopped house salad, or chopped house salad with turkey.

Adult Forum Spring 2015 "On the Road" Trips with JCC of Central New Jersey

Cooper Hewitt Smithsonian Design Museum –Thursday, May 14, 2015

Just re-opened after a \$91 million renovation, the museum is located in the Andrew Carnegie Mansion, which is a turn of the century gem. This museum is the only one in the nation devoted exclusively to contemporary and historic design. It presents a compelling perspective on the impact of design on daily life and is very interactive. Prior to the museum tour, we will have lunch at Amanda's restaurant in Hoboken located in a restored brownstone. It is highly rated by the Zagat guide and is on the short list of the state's most popular restaurants. Reservations needed by May

Price,\$85 Member /partner, (\$90) guest includes lunch and transportation

Reserve by May 1

Museum of the Moving Image- Thursday, June 11

Enjoy this unique museum including a 90-minute docent led tour of the museum's core exhibit, *Behind the Screen*, and experience the technical and creative process of producing and presenting films, television shows and digital entertainment. Followed by lunch at Zenon Taverna and a brief visit to the Noguchi Sculpture Garden and Museum.

Price \$80 Member/Partner (\$85 guest) includes lunch and transportation

Reserve by June 4

To reserve a space for either trip, please call

BARBARA WEISBART at the JCC at (908) 889-8800 x207

For information about membership, programs or trips, please contact
Lois Dyer, Adult Forum Program Coordinator 973-533-1809 // penzoe1@comcast.net



CBI YOUTH GROUPS

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CHAVERIM

(for 4th and 5th Graders)

Tuesday, March 3rd // 6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

Top Chef Chaverim Style

Immediately After Religious School

MILLBURN USY

(for 9th, 10th, 11th & 12th Graders)

Wednesday, March 4th // 7:15 – 9:00 p.m.

Capture the Rabbi

KADIMA

(for 6th, 7th & 8th Graders)

Thursday, March 12th // 6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

Lounge Night

Immediately After Religious School

For more information...please contact:

Aly Greenstein, USY and Kadima Advisor at alygreenstein18@gmail.com.

Michael Greenstein at CBIChaverim@gmail.com.



Join the Movement!

National Day of Unplugging is March 6-7!

Unplug from all your electronics.

“Unplug” signs are available in the lobby or available from the REBOOT website [HERE!](#)

COMMUNITY EVENTS AT A GLANCE

You can also check the calendar on our website www.cbi-nj.org

Sunday, March 1

- ALPAC Policy Conference Washington, DC
- 8:00 am Morning Minyan
- 1 0:00 am-10:30 am Purim Shpiel
- 10:30 am-1:00 pm Purim Carnival
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Monday, March 2

- ALPAC Policy Conference Washington, DC
- 7:10 am Morning Minyan
- 9:30 am Adult Learning Jewish Theology w/ Rabbi Bayar @ Social Hall
- 7:30 pm Sisterhood Board Meeting
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Tuesday, March 3

- ALPAC Policy Conference Washington, DC
- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 9:30 am HGECC: Twos Purim Party
- 6:00 pm-7:15 pm Chaverim Top Chef Chaverim Style
- 7:30 pm Executive Committee Meeting @ Youth Lounge
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Wednesday, March 4

EREV PURIM

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 6:30 pm Children's Purim Service
- 7:15 pm-9:00 pm USY Capture the Rabbi
- 7:30 pm Congregation Megillah Reading

Thursday, March 5

PURIM

- No BBRS
- 7:10 am Morning Minyan
- 9:30 am Threes/PreK Purim Party
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Friday, March 6

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 5:35 pm Candlelighting
- 6:45 pm Shir Shabbat
- 8:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, March 7

- 9:00 am Shabbat Services
- 10:15 am Tefilot Yeladim (Gr. 3-6)
- 10:30 am Tefilot Ketanim (Gr. K-2)
- 10:30 am Tot Shabbat
- 11:15 am Yaldeinu
- 5:30 pm Bat Mitzvah of Lindsey Scheiner

Sunday, March 8

- Daylight Savings Time Begin
- 8:00 am Morning Minyan
- 5:00 pm Chanting Circle @ Chapel
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan
- 8:15 pm Men's Club Book Group @ MPR (Minyan Square)

Monday, March 9

- 7:10 am Morning Minyan
- 9:30 am Adult Learning Jewish Theology w/ Rabbi Bayar @ Social Hall
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan
- 8:00 pm Men's Club Board Meeting

Tuesday, March 10

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 7:30 pm CBI Board of Trustees Meeting @ MPR
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Wednesday, March 11

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 7:15 pm Open Mah Jongg Night
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Thursday, March 12

- 7:10 am Morning Minyan
- 12:30 pm Adult Forum Film: The Theory of Everything @ MPR
- 6:00 pm-7:15 pm Kadima Lounge Night @ Youth Lounge
- 7:30 pm-9:00 pm USY Israeli Zumba
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Friday, March 13

- Kadima 8th Grade Regional Shabbaton
- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 6:43 pm Candlelighting
- 8:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, March 14

- Kadima 8th Grade Regional Shabbaton
- 9:00 am Shabbat Services Bat Mitzvah of Bonnie Segel
- 10:15 am Tefilot Yeladim (Gr. 3-6)
- 10:30 am Tefilot Ketanim (Gr. K-2)
- 10:30 am Tot Shabbat
- 10:45 am Shabbat Journeymen Minyan

Sunday, March 15

- Gan Kabbalat Yeladynu
- Kadima 8th Grade Regional Shabbaton
- 8:00 am Morning Minyan
- 9:00 am-11:00 am Joe Keselman & Juan Katz Memorial Paid Up Breakfast
- 5:30 pm 8:30 pm Sisterhood Women's Seder @ MPR
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Monday, March 16

- 7:10 am Morning Minyan
- 9:30 am Adult Learning Jewish Theology w/ Rabbi Bayar @ Social Hall
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Tuesday, March 17

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Wednesday, March 18

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Thursday, March 19

- Adult Forum On the Road: Manischewitz Factory Tour @ Offsite
- 7:10 am Morning Minyan
- 9:30 am-10:30 am Adult Learning Jewish Look at Christianity w/Rabbi Bayar @ Social Hall
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan
- 8:00 pm HGECC Board Meetings @ Youth Lounge

Friday, March 20

- Artist in Residence Musical Weekend
- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 6:00 pm-6:30 pm Musical Early Family Shabbat Service
- 6:30 pm Musical Family Shabbat Dinner
- 6:51 pm Candlelighting
- 7:45 pm Musical Kabbalat Shabbat & Oneg

Saturday, March 21

- Artist-in-Residence Musical Weekend
- 9:00 am Musical Shabbat Service
- 10:15 am Tefilot Yeladim (Gr. 3-6)
- 10:30 am Tefilot Ketanim (Gr. K-2)
- 10:30 am Tot Shabbat
- 6:00 pm Musical Program for Teens
- 9:00 pm Musical Melave Malka

Sunday, March 22

- Artist-in-Residence Musical Weekend
- 8:00 am Morning Minyan
- 8:45 am-12:00 pm BBRS Sings!
- 9:00 am BBRS PA Meeting @ Youth Lounge
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Monday, March 23

- 7:10 am Morning Minyan
- 9:30 am Adult Learning Jewish Theology w/ Rabbi Bayar @ Social Hall
- 7:30 pm-9:00 pm Jewish Holidays – Passover Themes and Values for the Home
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Tuesday, March 24

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Wednesday, March 25

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Thursday, March 26

- 7:10 am Morning Minyan
- 9:30 am-10:30 am Adult Learning Jewish Look at Christianity w/Rabbi Bayar @ Social Hall
- 12:30 pm Adult Forum Guest Speaker: Chaim Lauer @ MPR
- 6:00 pm-7:15 pm Kadima Challah Baking @ Youth Lounge
- 7:30 pm-9:00 pm Jewish Holidays – Passover Themes and Values for the Home
- 7:30 pm-9:00 pm USY Murder Mystery @ Youth Lounge
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Friday, March 27

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 6:58 pm Candlelighting
- 8:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, March 28

- 9:00 am Shabbat Services - Bar Mitzvah of Kyle Jacobs
- 10:15 am Tefilot Yeladim (Gr. 3-6)
- 10:30 am Tefilot Ketanim (Gr. K-2)
- 10:30 am Tot Shabbat
- 10:45 am Shabbat Journeymen Minyan

Sunday, March 29

- BBRS School Passover Celebration
- 8:00 am Morning Minyan
- 12:00 pm-1:00 pm Tichon Plus
- 7:00 pm Men's Club Pizza & Poker!
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Monday, March 30

- 7:10 am Morning Minyan
- 9:30 am Adult Learning Jewish Theology w/ Rabbi Bayar @ Social Hall
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

Tuesday, March 31

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

ADULT FORUM

March - June 2015

Hello Adult Forum Members,

It's March! Remember to move your clocks up an hour at 2 a.m. on the 7th. Another most welcome hour of sunshine!



For our movie in March, we will be screening *My Old Lady*, a comedy drama directed by Israel Horovitz starring Kevin Kline and Maggie Smith. The story revolves around a down-and-out New Yorker who inherits an apartment in Paris from his estranged father and is stunned to find a refined old lady living there with her over-protective daughter.

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Cost is \$86 for members and \$90 for community

participants. Register by May 1, by calling Barbara Weisbart at (908) 889-8800x207.

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Price \$80 Member/Partner (\$85 guest) includes lunch and transportation. Register by June 4 by calling Barbara Weisbart at (908) 889-8800x207.

For all programs at CBI, you can pay at the door. **Please call me with your lunch orders. To register for trips, contact Barbara Weisbart (908) 889-8800x207.**

Stay warm,

Lois Dyer

For information about membership, programs or trips, please contact

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Adult Forum Program Coordinator
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- ❖ Roz & Jed Buck

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- ❖ Roz & Jed Buck

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- ❖ Hanna Keselman
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❖ Susan Webman

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